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Sir:

Applicants herewith submit a copy of the Translation of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability under Chapter II, which report has been provided by the International Bureau without annexes. Copies of the references cited therein are being provided concurrently with an Information Disclosure Statement.

The translation is being provided for the benefit of the

examiner and to ensure completeness of the record of the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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In accordance with their obligation under 37 C.F.R. \$1.56, Applicants would like to call the Examiner's attention to the documents listed on the attached form SB-08A and B

Applicants note that all of the documents listed are cited in the International Search Report, a copy of which was filed with the original application or in the International Preliminary Report on Patentability, a copy of which is submitted herewith.

Applicants further point out that U.S. published

application 2004/0063929 is the corresponding U.S. application to WO 02/066464 and is provided herewith as an English translation of the International application.

In addition, the English language International Application publications WO 94/14433 and WO 97/16455 are provided instead of their respective corresponding Japanese applications JP08-505141 and JP10-512592 listed in the International Search Report.

Applicants are not aware at this time of any other prior art which could be considered to be relevant to the present application.

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